Indian Ocean Tuna Commission

2410. PROF. P.J. KURIAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission has offered diverse facilties for Indian fishing sector;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a delegation of officials is visiting the Commission to confirm and ensure that India gets share of tuna resources in the Indian Ocean;

(c) the agenda for discussion with the India Ocean Tuna Commission at the next meeting;

(d) whether the talks till be upgraded to the Ministerial level to decide critical issues affecting the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The agenda for discussion in the next meeting of Indian Ocean Tuna Commission have not yet been received.

(d) and (e) No, Sir. Ministerial level talks are not held in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission.

Private-Public partnership in Agriculture

2411. SHRI R.K. ANAND:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently mooted the idea of private-public partnership in agriculture;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the idea is likely to be given shape?